

## Facts of Interest About South Hadley

South Hadley area was first part of Old Hadley.

- 1675-1719 Individual grants of land were made by Hadley for settlement south of Mt. Holyoke Range.
- 1725 Settlement (delayed by fear of Indian attacks) was begun.
- 1732 The settlement became "South Hadley Precinct of Hadley."
- 1753 South Hadley Precinct was made a "district" – South Hadley by General Court with local self-government.
- 1755 South Hadley was incorporated as a town with its own representative in General Government.
- 1795 First navigable canal in U.S. began operation at Falls Village, whose mailing address became "South Hadley Canal."

### Location

On east side of Connecticut River, about 14 miles North of Springfield, just across the river from Holyoke. Home of Mount Holyoke College.

### Latitude of Town Hall

42 12'50" N

### Longitude of Town Hall

72 35'40" W

### Elevation

(Above sea level)  
Town Hall top step 78.16 ft.  
Mount Holyoke 878 ft.  
Mount Hitchcock (at east end of Holyoke Range) 1,002 ft.

### Area

18.3 square miles 11,712 acres

### Requirements of Voting

A person must be 18 years old, American born or fully naturalized. One may register the day they move into Town. Register at Town Clerk's Office (see Directory and Calendar page) or by mail or by motor vehicle registration renewal.

### Population

Federal Census 2000-17,067  
Federal Census 1990-16,685  
(Includes registered voters at Mt. Holyoke College)  
Local Census 2007 – 14,559

### Form of Government

Representative Town Meeting (1933 Charter)

### Tax Rate

\$11.85 - FY 2007

**Total Valuation of Taxable Property** \$1,540,552,148 - FY 2007

**Miles of State Highway**

7.00

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77.38

## National, State and County Officials

### Governor:

Deval Patrick

### Secretary of the Commonwealth:

William Francis Galvin

### Attorney General:

Martha Coakley

### United States Senators:

John F. Kerry, Boston  
Edward M. Kennedy, Boston

### Representative in Congress:

(1<sup>st</sup> Congressional District)  
Richard E. Neal

### State Senator:

(Franklin/Hampshire District)  
Stanley Rosenberg

### Representative in General Court:

(2<sup>nd</sup> Hampshire)  
John W. Scibak

### Member of Governor's Council:

(8<sup>th</sup> Councilor District)  
Thomas T. Merrigan

### District Attorney:

Elizabeth Scheibel